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Docket No.: DU-P02-002  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

in re Patent Application of:  
Mike West

Application No.: 10/692,002

Confirmation No.: 2470

Filed: October 24, 2003

Art Unit: 1631

For: BINARY PREDICTION TREE MODELING  
WITH MANY PREDICTORS AND ITS USES  
IN CLINICAL AND GENOMIC  
APPLICATIONS

Examiner: J. Lin

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

An Office Action was mailed on May 26, 2006 setting forth a three-month period for response (*i.e.* by September 26, 2006). Applicants are concurrently petitioning for a three-month extension of time, extending the deadline for reply to Monday, November 27, 2006. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.